

CLEAR LE BUS

On Charges Which Have Been
Made Against Him.

Burley Tobacco Society Is-
sues Statement.

Recent Articles Only Effort
To Injure Society.

JUST AN APPEAL TO IGNORANCE.

In a general statement, the Burley Tobacco Society has made a full and complete reply to the charges recently brought against it and President Clarence LeBus. The statement gives a detailed history of the growers' organization and brands as false and malicious the articles published in a Cincinnati newspaper. The Society says its books are always open.

The part of the statement dealing with LeBus is as follows:

The recent articles in a Cincinnati newspaper designed to injure the Burley Tobacco Society sound very much like the death rattle or the last desperate gasp of the enemies of the Burley Tobacco Society. Shorn of fuss and feathers and noise and bluster, nothing remains to engage the attention of the thinking or intelligent reader. It is an appeal to ignorance and prejudice, and can not elicit the desired response from any other class of minds. Much of the matter is entirely irrelevant and trivial, more of it is utterly false, and the remainder is a distortion, misconstruction or misstatement of the truth, which is the worst kind of falsehood. The enemy must be in its last throes to have resorted to such expensive and yet such cheap tactics.

The first two columns of the full-page article that appeared in the paper were devoted to a correspondence alleged to have taken place between an officer of the American Society of Equity and certain independent manufacturers of tobacco and with the president of the Independent Tobacco Manufacturers' Association. The object of the officers of the American Society of Equity in this correspondence seems to have been to elicit the co-operation of the independent tobacco manufacturers in the fight against the tobacco trust, of which the independent manufacturers have made such a long and loud complaint. According to the Cincinnati writer this correspondence seems to have been without results; but that it contains anything hurtful to the American Society of Equity or compromising of high principles the writer fails to show. So far as the present writer has been able to learn, no officer of the Burley Tobacco Society knew anything about this correspondence, and it, therefore, has no significance whatever for or against the Burley Society.

Following this tame recital of inconsequential correspondence, the writer proceeds to give the history of some difficulties between factions in the American Society of Equity, which may or may not be true without in any way affecting the Burley Tobacco Society. The American Society of Equity and the Burley Tobacco Society are distinct organizations, operating under separate charters, constitutions and by-laws, without official or business connections. The part of the article, therefore, which dealt with the American Society of Equity is not only trivial, but entirely irrelevant in any discussion of the Burley Tobacco Society. It was not meant to enlighten, but to throw dust and to confuse.

It may be said also in passing that the American Society of Equity did not organize the Dark Planters' Protective Association, as was alleged by the Tribune, nor has the American Society of Equity ever gained a footing in the "Black Patch." The Black Patch was organized by F. G. Ewing, J. B. Fort and Charles B. Fort without any reference to the American Society of Equity. But this, too, has no bearing upon the Burley Tobacco Society.

The Cincinnati writer next takes up the often-repeated charge that President LeBus failed to pool all of his holdings and prints the charge in black type. When the organization was formed Mr. LeBus stated to the body of delegates that if pooling his 1904 and 1905 holdings were made a condition of his becoming a member of the society that he could not join it, giving as his reason that he had already carried the 1904 holding for two years and the 1905 for one year, and that he could not obligate himself to carry them indefinitely. However,

his 1906 and 1907 tobaccos, every pound of them, were put into the pooled crops grown before 1906. Why should President LeBus pool his holdings grown before 1906? As to his selling the 1904 or 1905 tobacco—he has the right now and has had the right every day since the Burley Tobacco Society was formed to sell it. Every one else has sold all tobacco grown before 1906. Why should not President LeBus sell his when, where and as his best interests dictate?

Kentucky Colonels
In Great Praise.

MARCHING CLUB BRINGS STATE
TO FRONT AT KERN NOTI-
FICATION.

After a triumphant pilgrimage to Indianapolis, where they took part in the notification of John W. Kern, the Kentucky Colonels arrived in Louisville Tuesday night. Although the Colonels reached Indianapolis an hour and a half late, it did not take them long to get into the game and they were the center of attraction during the remainder of the day. In addition to the complimentary reference to Mr. Bryan, John W. Kern, the nominee for Vice President.

"My compliments to the Kentucky Colonels and my sincere appreciation of the honor they have done me in coming to Indianapolis. I hope to see them again and to know them better when I go to Louisville to keep my campaign engagement."

Mr. Bryan said:
"If I am elected President, as I certainly expect to be, I want the Kentucky Colonels to take part in the inaugural parade."

There were an even hundred in the party and when the Colonels under command of Capt. John H. Cowles and Fred Hardwick, swung into line and marched to the Dennison Hotel, the thousands of men and women who lined the sidewalks sent up a mighty cheer. The Louisville Drum and Trumpet Corps made up of twenty men marched behind the Colonels and shared honors with the men in the long coats and big white hats. The banner of the Old Guard Bryan Club was unfurled by members of that organization who brought up the rear. At the Dennison Hotel the Kentuckians were given a welcome that shook the buildings. It was late, but some of the members were presented to Mr. Bryan and to Mr. Kern any way.

Kentucky Prison
Officials On Tour.

INSPECT INDIANA REFORMA-
TORY AT JEFFERSONVILLE—
TO MICHIGAN CITY.

Col. E. E. Mudd, warden of the Frankfort penitentiary and Commissioner Finley Fogg, of the same institution, were the guests of M. M. Barnard, assistant superintendent (and at present acting general superintendent of the Indiana Reformatory at Jeffersonville during the absence of W. H. Whittaker, in Colorado), yesterday and they gave the place a thorough inspection, says the Jeffersonville correspondent of the Courier-Journal. At the completion of their tour they expressed themselves as being greatly pleased and agreeably surprised at the condition of the institution.

Sanitary methods were talked over at length, and Mr. Barnard said last night he told the visitors how to keep the Frankfort penitentiary clean without the use of disinfectants. He said he prescribed a mixture of elbow grease, water and plenty of soap. This compound, he said, beat all others. There was a day when disinfectants were used to a great extent in the Indiana Reformatory, but that was some time ago. There is no prison odor about the institution, neither can the smell of sassafras or other disinfectant ingredients be detected. It is only when absolutely necessary that disinfectants are used.

Col. Mudd and Mr. Fogg left last night for Michigan City, Ind., to visit the State prison there, and will go to Joliet and Chester, Ill., before proceeding to other like institutions, but they do not expect to find any superior, from a sanitary standpoint, to Jeffersonville's reformatory.

How to Avoid Appendicitis.
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Imitation Whisky
Makers Lose Suit.

MUST BRAND GOODS FOR WHAT
THEY ARE—CASE WAS HARD
FOUGHT.

By the decision of Judge Thompson in the United States Court, the Government wins in the contest it has been waging with the local rectifiers in order to compel them to label as "imitation whisky" the rapid process product which for years back has been on the market under the name of whisky.

The action of the Government has been the outcome of the new pure food law and the determination to make it effective, and it was in waging the conflict with the government last week had Dr. Wiley, its chief chemist, and an array of other experts here as witnesses before Judge Thompson.

The decision was rendered in the suit of the Union Distilling Company for an injunction or restraining order to stop Internal Revenue Collector Bernard Bettman and the revenue employees here from carrying into effect the new rules relative to the labeling of distilled spirits.

Vandals Deface Front
Of Old State House.

REWARD OF \$25 OFFERED BY
GOVERNOR FOR ARREST OF
GUILTY PERSONS.

Vandals defaced a portion of the front of the old State House by chipping off a corner of one of the big stones which form the porch. The chipping was done with a hammer, as the marks of the hammer were plain, and it was not done by a souvenir collector, as the whole corner of the stone was broken off. In another place an effort had been made to break off some new concrete work which had been put in to replace some of the marble which had been broken off some time since.

Gov. Cox offered a reward of \$25 for the arrest of the person or persons guilty of the vandalism. As a result of the defacing of the building it is probable that a night watchman will be employed to look after the square all night. Some persons with an inventive mind declared that the night riders had done the work of defacement in order to serve notice on Gov. Willson that they could come into Frankfort.

ALLOWING RAILROADS TO OBEY
THE LAW.

If the government is going to run the railroads of the country, it must run them on business principles or accept the responsibility for general bankruptcy and ruin. This has come to be pretty well understood, at least in government as well as railroad circles.

An illustration of it is the general recognition of the necessity of bringing the Sherman anti-trust law and the laws for special and direct regulation of railroads into harmony. That is necessary merely to allow the railroads to obey the law. As it stands now, they violate the law against combination if they uniformly obey the law regulating rates. If they obey the Sherman law by keeping out of combinations, some of them fall inevitably into violation of some of the various laws regulating rates.

The business of conducting the traffic of the country is so enormous and so complicated that it is simply impossible for railroads to obey the laws regulating charges separately and independently. They can do so only by combination of competing as well as connecting lines, and the establishment of joint and uniform rates for certain fields of traffic.

This combination to make joint and uniform rates was held by the courts to be in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act some ten years ago. That ruling never has been changed, though every possible effort has been made to soften it. Now it is recognized that the thing to do is to change the Sherman law itself.

The subject comes up freshly in the Southern States, where the railroads are suffering most from loss of earnings and financial weakness, and where the State commissions seem determined to enforce the letter of both the rate law and the anti-trust law.

Examination of conditions in Texas and the Territory of the Southern Railway have completely convinced the interstate commission that the only salvation of the railroads is the power to make joint rates under supervision. A strong effort will be made to give this power at the next session of Congress.

BIGGEST FARM.

150 Miles Wide and Two
Hundred Miles Long.

CONTAINS EIGHT MILLION ACRES
AND FEEDS 1,800,000 HEAD OF
STOCK—IN MEXICO.

(Christian Herald.)

Don Luiz Terrazas, in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, is said to be the owner of the largest farm in the world. It is 150 miles north and south, and includes 8,000,000 acres of land. On the mountains and through its valleys there roam 1,000,000 head of cattle, 700,000 sheep and 100,000 horses. The men, herdsmen, shepherds and hunters number an army of 2,000 men. The ranch is the only one in the world which maintains its own slaughtering and packing plant. Each year 150,000 head of cattle and 100,000 sheep are slaughtered, dressed and packed. There are five mammoth reservoirs on the farm, costing \$500,000, and 300 wells scattered over the estate, which cost another \$500,000. The proprietor is a scientific farmer and raises every kind of grain in his fields. His farmhouse is said to be the most magnificent one in the world, costing \$2,000,000, and capable of entertaining 500 guests. The gardens are beautifully laid out and the stables are more magnificent than those of any earthly emperor. On the homestead alone are employed 100 male servants. Don Luiz was at one time Governor of Chihuahua, but tired of his political life and longed for larger liberty and a greater variety of employment. He has a beautiful wife and twelve children; seven sons and five daughters. The sons are actively engaged with him in superintending the ranch while the women, who are said to be the most beautiful in Mexico, remain contentedly at the homestead. The children were educated in the United States and have traveled extensively throughout the world. He is richer than any three men in Mexico and is benevolent in spirit and generous in his contribution to worthy enterprises. Farming is the basis of all other industries. The farm is the physical support of the race. Farmers and herdsmen of olden times of ten had vast estates and munificent incomes.

Any Old Governor
Can Use This Cane.

Jos. Hendricks has made a walking cane which is quite a curiosity in its way. It is of cherry and has the name carved on it of every Governor of the Commonwealth from Isaac T. Shelby down to Augustus E. Willson together with the dates on which the term of office of each began and ended. The top is elaborately carved and has a beautiful piece of pearl set on the head. Below is a silver band which will be engraved. Mr. Hendricks will present it to the "Governor of Kentucky" and it will be kept at the State Library and may be used by any future Governor. The work is well executed and required a great deal of time and patience.—Georgetown Times.

Dr. John Murdock
Can Practice Medicine.

Dr. John Murdock, of Anderson county, who has been a practicing physician for twenty-two years, can continue to practice and the State Board of Health must give him a certificate. Acting Gov. Cox overruled the action of the State Board, which had refused to give Dr. Murdock a certificate on the ground that his diploma was not from a recognized medical college. The law provides that, where the decisions of the State Board is objectionable, an appeal can be taken to the Governor and his decision is to be final.

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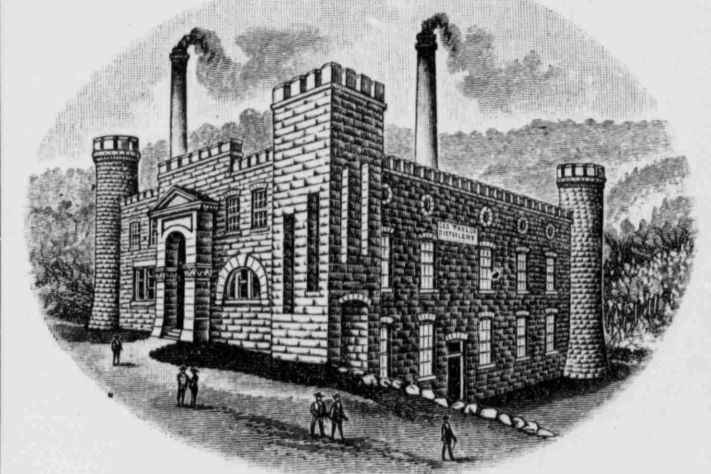


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